State of South Dakota

SEVENTY-FOURTH SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 1999

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SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE ENGROSSED NO. HB1282 - 2/25/99

This bill has been extensively amended (hoghoused) and may no longer be consistent with the original intention of the sponsors.

Introduced by: Representative Michels and Senator Everist

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise the confidentiality related to certain patient
- 2 records.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 Section 1. That § 36-4-26.2 be amended to read as follows:
- 5 36-4-26.2. Section 36-4-26.1 applies neither to facts associated with a patient's treatment and
- 6 care nor to patient records prepared in conjunction with does not apply to observations made at
- 7 the time of treatment by a health care professional present during the patient's treatment or to
- 8 patient records prepared during the treatment and care rendered to a patient who is personally
- 9 or by personal representative a party to an action or proceeding, the subject matter of which is
- 10 the care and treatment of the patient. Furthermore, after the notification of adverse parties as
- 11 hereinafter provided, § 36-4-26.1 does not apply to the proceedings, records, reports,
- statements, minutes, or other data of any no member of any committee, department, section,
- board of directors, or group covered by § 36-4-26.1, in so far as they relate to the statements or
- opinions of a member thereof made or rendered at its meeting, if the member is called as a
- witness on behalf of any party in an action involving the quality, type, or necessity of such care
- 16 rendered. However:

(1) Such information may only be used to impeach the testimony of such witness; and

(2) Such witness may not testify unless the party calling the witness has notified all adverse parties to the action at least thirty days before trial of the person's intention to use such witness who has participated in deliberations under that section involving the subject matter of the action, may testify as an expert witness for any party in any action for personal injury or wrongful death, the subject matter of which is the care and treatment of the patient. Notwithstanding membership on a committee, department, section, board of directors, or group covered by § 36-4-26.1, a health care professional observing or participating in the patient's treatment and care may testify as a fact or expert witness concerning that treatment and care, but may not be required to testify as to anything protected by § 36-4-26.1.

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1 **BILL HISTORY**

- 2 2/1/99 First read in House and referred to committee assignment waived. H.J. 284
- 3 2/2/99 Referred to Health and Human Services. H.J. 318
- 4 2/10/99 Scheduled for Committee hearing on this date.
- 5 2/12/99 Scheduled for Committee hearing on this date.
- 6 2/12/99 Health and Human Services Do Pass Amended, Failed, AYES 6, NAYS 5.
- 7 2/17/99 Health and Human Services Hog Housed.
- 8 2/17/99 Scheduled for Committee hearing on this date.
- 9 2/17/99 Health and Human Services Do Pass Amended, Passed, AYES 11, NAYS 1. H.J. 563
- 10 2/19/99 House of Representatives Do Pass Amended, Passed, AYES 57, NAYS 12. H.J. 651
- 11 2/22/99 First read in Senate and referred to Judiciary. S.J. 620
- 12 2/24/99 Scheduled for Committee hearing on this date.
- 13 2/24/99 Judiciary Do Pass Amended, Passed, AYES 6, NAYS 0. S.J. 652